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# Letter from the Dean.

Dear BU Law community,

**As my first academic year as dean of Boston University School of Law draws to a close, I wanted to take this opportunity to thank you all for your support and guidance.**

BU Law could not thrive without the dedication of its alumni, staff, and faculty. Generous alumni support—along with the leadership of administrators—has endowed awards that have allowed past and present generations of students to flourish in their studies, internships, and career plans, and past and present faculty to excel as leaders in their fields. In this issue, we have highlighted five faculty-award and student-scholarship funds named for pathbreaking alumni like Barbara C. Jordan (LAW'59, Hon.'69) and N. Neal Pike (LAW'37, CAS'50, Hon.'96). These awards and scholarships help us celebrate our past, including luminaries like Jordan, and connect that past to the school's commitment to fostering the enormous potential of faculty and students.

The support of our alumni, staff, and faculty has also ensured the law school's fulfillment of its mission to provide students with the tools and opportunities that can best guarantee their success after graduation. One of the many avenues in which we are growing student and alumni success is through clerkships. By expanding programming for those pursuing these positions, we hope to help students and young alumni not only further their careers but also see the court system in action, understand the process and human implications of judicial decision-making, and advance the rule of law. As you will read in this magazine, we are proud to note that the overall number of graduates in state and federal clerkships has doubled in recent years, and the number of alumni working as federal clerks has increased fivefold.

Finally, our alumni have led our law school community, and society as a whole, by example, serving as pioneers and leaders in their fields, communities, and workplaces. In this issue of



*The Record*, we celebrate one such pioneer, Anat Maytal ('09), whose education and drive earned her a place on the Baker-Hostetler team responsible for recovering money for victims of Bernie Madoff's Ponzi scheme. As a lawyer with impaired hearing who advocates on behalf of the deaf and hard-of-hearing community, Maytal's dedication to service follows in the tradition of many BU Law alumni, and I am confident that many more generations of graduates will follow suit.

As we celebrate the success of the Building on Excellence Campaign, I encourage you to demonstrate your commitment to BU Law by making a donation, volunteering to host an event in your city, or serving as a career resource for our students and young alumni. I look forward to connecting with many of you at Reunion Weekend in June and continuing conversations about the future of BU Law.

Until then, I hope you will enjoy the spring issue of *The Record*.

Warmest regards,



**DR. ANGELA ONWUACHI-WILLIG**  
DEAN  
PROFESSOR OF LAW

BY MEGHAN LASKA

# PAST GENERATIONS

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**WHILE BU LAW STANDS OUT FOR GRADUATING PRACTICE-READY LAWYERS WHO SUCCEED IN FIELDS LIKE CORPORATE LAW AND GO ON TO PARTNERSHIPS AT LARGE LAW FIRMS, IT HAS ALSO DISTINGUISHED ITSELF AS A LEADER IN INCLUSIVITY.**

The school has a long and rich history as one of the only law schools in the nation to admit qualified students without regard to race, gender, or religion since it opened its doors. As a result,

**“THESE FUNDS CELEBRATE THE SCHOOL’S TRULY IMPRESSIVE HISTORY AND ANNOUNCE TO THE WORLD THAT THESE VALUES OF INCLUSIVENESS AND OPENNESS ARE NOT ONLY CRITICAL TO THE SCHOOL’S IDENTITY, BUT ALSO TO THE LEGAL PROFESSION.”**

—DEAN ONWUACHI-WILLIG

many BU Law alumni have become the “firsts” in their fields.

“It’s important to show the world that we have always been thought leaders and forward thinking in society in general,” says Dean Angela Onwuachi-Willig. “It’s the people in our community who make this school special, and we take great pride in celebrating these alumni.”

For example, Emanuel Hewlett (1877), the first black BU Law graduate, argued the first and only criminal trial in

the US Supreme Court in 1906. Barbara C. Jordan (LAW’59, Hon.’69) was the first black congresswoman to represent a state in the Deep South. Sandra L. Lynch (LAW’71, Hon.’12) was the first woman appointed to the US Court of Appeals for the First Circuit, and O. Rogerie Thompson (’76) was the first black judge on the US Court of Appeals for the First Circuit.

Today, the school honors many of these groundbreaking alumni and supports its ongoing mission of inclusion with endowed funds that strengthen the faculty and make legal education more accessible to exceptional students regardless of their backgrounds.

“These funds celebrate the school’s truly impressive history and announce to the world that these values of inclusiveness and openness are not only critical to the school’s identity, but also to the legal profession,” says Dean Onwuachi-Willig, the first person of color to serve as dean of BU Law.

Zach Dubin, assistant dean for development & alumni relations, agrees. “The legacy of these alumni is part of the lifeblood of the school today,” he says. “BU Law focuses on teaching students to excel as lawyers but also to see themselves as individuals who can make a significant impact on their communities. That history of inclusion and breaking barriers is empowering for all students, no matter what they focus on in their legal careers.” ➔



Read about more pioneers at  
[bu.edu/law/history-of-diversity](https://bu.edu/law/history-of-diversity).



# INSPIRE THE NEXT

## THESE FUNDS INCLUDE:



### **EMANUEL HEWLETT 1877 AWARD FUND**

The first black BU Law graduate and one of the first black degree recipients of a major US law school, Emanuel Hewlett was one of the nation's leading criminal defense attorneys and an honored statesman. Established by alumni Sean Cort ('95), Eugene M. Holmes ('95), Wendell C. Taylor ('95), and David Wooten ('95), the fund supports an exceptional graduating member of the Black Law Students Association.



### **HON. PAUL J. LIACOS FUND**

The former chief justice of the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court, Paul J. Liacos ('52, Hon.'96) had a distinguished career as a lawyer, judge, and teacher. A first-generation professional, he was the first Greek-born chief justice on the court. The fund endows a chair for a professor who demonstrates scholarship, creative leadership in the development of law, dedication to the protection of individual rights, and a pursuit of the ideals exemplified by Liacos.



### **BARBARA C. JORDAN SCHOLAR- SHIP FUND**

When she was elected to represent Texas in the US House of Representatives, Barbara C. Jordan became the first black congresswoman to represent a state in the Deep South. She delivered the keynote address at the Democratic National Convention in 1976 and received the Presidential Medal of Freedom in 1994. This scholarship is awarded each year to a student or students who are selected on the basis of financial need, scholarship, character, and future promise.



### **NORBERT A. SIMMONS SCHOLAR- SHIP FUND.**

Norbert A. Simmons ('72), a civil rights attorney at the NAACP, founded a large, specialized small business investment company that financed numerous black businesses and projects. An active member of the BU Law community, he is known for his commitment to improving the quality of life for African Americans. This fund provides annual scholarships to students who are succeeding academically, with a preference given to students from historically black colleges and those interested in public service.



### **N. NEAL PIKE LAW SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

N. Neal Pike (LAW'37, CAS'50, Hon.'96) was the first blind person to be admitted to practice before the Bar of the US Supreme Court. In 1986, the N. Neal Pike Institute for the Handicapped was established at BU Law, later renamed the Institute for Law & Disability. This fund honors him with a public service fellowship, annual lecture, and endowed faculty chair.





BARBARA C. JORDAN SCHOLARSHIP FUND

**NANA ANKAMAH ('19)**Post-Graduation Job:  
**Associate, Ankamah Russell LLP**

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**AFTER COLLEGE, NANA ANKAMAH** worked as a legal recruiter and started a family, but she never took her eye off the goal of law school. Growing up in Ghana and New York, she says that she became interested in law watching her father work as an attorney. "I saw how the social justice aspect of law can help people," she says.

Ankamah came to BU Law because of its commitment to inclusion. "Not only did this scholarship provide generous financial support, it also was an affirmation that the school was interested in me and welcomes diverse students."

In addition to tuition, the fund supported her interest in pursuing a legal career in Ghana after graduation. She spent the summers after her first and second years interning at the Ghana Attorney General's Office and at her father's firm, Ankamah Russell LLP.

"These scholarships are important because the law is not known for being as diverse as other professions," she says. "These funds create a sense of belonging and show that the school is committed to inclusion. I hope I can give back and help continue this legacy."

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N. NEAL PIKE LAW SCHOLARSHIP FUND

## PROFESSOR KEVIN OUTTERSON

**N. Neal Pike Scholar** in Health & Disability Law  
**Executive Director, CARB-X**  
**Director, Social Innovation on Drug Resistance (SIDR) Postdoctoral Program**

**PROFESSOR KEVIN OUTTERSON IS PASSION-ATE ABOUT SOLVING COMPLEX PROBLEMS** in biopharmaceutical innovation, particularly issues related to drug resistance. As executive director of BU Law's Combating Antibiotic-Resistant Bacteria Biopharmaceutical Accelerator (CARB-X), he leads a global partnership focused on supporting developers of promising new antibiotics, diagnostics, and vaccines that tackle the threat of untreatable bacterial infections.

Through the Social Innovation on Drug Resistance (SIDR) Postdoctoral Program, created by BU's Institute for Health System Innovation & Policy and CARB-X, Outtersen has connected more than a dozen faculty from across the University to study the interaction of human behavior and drug-resistant infections. "The goal," he says, "is to use the networks and data from CARB-X to enable BU professors to conduct better research, write better grants, and create a gravitational force in jump-starting efforts in social science about antibiotic resistance."

Outtersen uses support from the N. Neal Pike Fund to further his research efforts. "The named research funds, combined with additional funds the dean awards, enable us to hire research assistants, travel to gather materials and data, and make vital presentations and connections at academic and other conferences," he says. "This intellectual freedom is a hallmark of BU Law, made possible by the generosity of alumni."





HON. PAUL J. LIACOS FUND

## PROFESSOR JAMES E. FLEMING

The Honorable Paul J. Liacos Professor of Law  
Associate Dean for Intellectual Life



**“HOLDING THE TITLE OF THE HON. PAUL J. LIACOS PROFESSOR OF LAW EARNS IMMEDIATE CREDIBILITY AND RESPECT.”**

**“IT IS TREMENDOUSLY GRATIFYING TO BE AWARDED A CHAIR** named for the Hon. Paul J. Liacos, who is known for his passionate commitment to constitutional justice,” says **PROFESSOR JAMES E. FLEMING**. “He was deeply concerned about the protection of individual rights and wrote opinions that broadened protections for women’s reproductive freedom, justified the individual’s right to die, and sought to fulfill the

promise of equal justice for all, including racial and gender equality. He vindicated rights that I am deeply committed to protecting.”

Professor Fleming is currently completing a scholarly book titled *Constructing Basic Liberties: A Defense of Substantive Due Process*. “President Trump ran on a Republican party platform committed to the appointment of US Supreme Court justices who would vote to overrule cases like *Roe v. Wade*

(reproductive freedom) and *Obergefell v. Hodges* (marriage equality). This book is a vigorous defense of the practice of protecting such basic liberties,” he explains.

“Holding the title of the Hon. Paul J. Liacos Professor of Law earns immediate credibility with and respect by scholars, lawyers, and students. It also provides invaluable financial support for my research and writing in constitutional law,” says Professor Fleming.

**“NOW, IT’S INCUMBENT UPON ME TO DO THE SAME FOR OTHERS TO CONTINUE BUILDING A ROBUST LEGAL COMMUNITY. I’M EXCITED TO LIFT AS I CLIMB.”**



EMANUEL HEWLETT 1877 AWARD FUND

**KEVIN SMITH ('18)**

Associate, Goodwin Procter

BOSTON, MA

**AFTER COLLEGE, KEVIN**

**SMITH'S** jobs at the Boston Museum of Science and a cybersecurity company inspired his interest in the law's ability to facilitate innovation and economic activity. Wanting to become part of the legal community, he researched schools and discovered BU Law's history of diversity.

"I saw alumni who were pioneers, like Emanuel Hewlett," he says. "The school has a rich legacy of propelling diverse minds forward and that resonated with me. I wanted to be part of that history and continue that legacy."

At BU Law, Smith participated in mentoring and recruiting programs for diverse

students. "I met attorneys who looked like me and learned about practice areas like corporate law, private equity, and tech. They got my gears turning in regard to how I could leverage a legal education," he explains.

He adds that this award was "a powerful affirmation" that gave him the confidence

to move forward in his legal career. "It helped me realize there are people working behind the scenes to ensure that people like me succeed," he says. "Now, it's incumbent upon me to do the same for others to continue building a robust legal community. I'm excited to lift as I climb."



**“WHEN I RECEIVED THIS SCHOLARSHIP, IT WAS AS IF THE SCHOOL WAS SAYING, ‘WE BELIEVE IN YOU AND YOUR ABILITY AND WE WANT TO HELP YOU ACHIEVE YOUR DREAMS.’”**



NORBERT A. SIMMONS SCHOLARSHIP FUND

## STELLA OYALABU ('19)

Post-Graduation Job:  
Clerk, Massachusetts Appeals Court

BOSTON, MA

**STELLA OYALABU CREDITS A COLLEGE INTERNSHIP WITH HER DRIVE TO BECOME A LAWYER.** A double-major in black studies and law, jurisprudence and social thought, she interned at a public interest legal services organization in New York City working on its Foreclosure Prevention Project. "I saw how we can use the law to advocate for people still struggling from the financial crisis and help them restructure loan modifications in court," she says. "I knew I wanted to pursue a legal career after that experience."

She came to BU Law because of its reputation as a strong law school, its supportive and inclusive environment, and this scholarship. "At an admitted students weekend, I felt embraced and welcomed," she says. "I met with students

from the Black Law Students Association who shared their experiences, and I saw how this community is conducive to learning."

As for the scholarship, it was a game changer. "The cost of law school was a big concern for my family and me," she says. "When I received this scholarship, it was as if the school was saying, 'We believe in you and your ability and we want to help you achieve your dreams.' My goal of becoming an attorney became a reality in that moment."

After graduation, Oyalabu will clerk for the Massachusetts Appeals Court before pursuing a career in litigation. "I'm grateful for the opportunity this scholarship provided," she says, "and I'm excited about starting the next phase of my career."

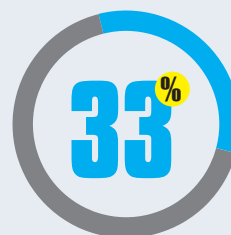


## Meet the Class of 2021.


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FIRST-YEAR  
STUDENTS

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ADVANCED  
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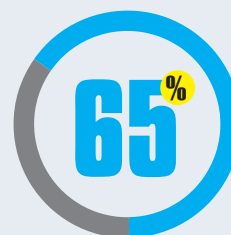
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STUDENTS OF COLOR

**39**  **16**  
US STATES REPRESENTED COUNTRIES REPRESENTED  
(PLUS THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA)

**32+**  
LANGUAGES SPOKEN



STUDENTS WITH 1 OR MORE  
YEARS OF POST-GRADUATE  
EXPERIENCE







# Pushing Through



**AS A LAWYER  
WITH IMPAIRED  
HEARING, ANAT  
MAYTAL ('09)**

has spent her life  
advocating for herself.  
Now, she spends her  
days doing the same  
for others.

In the 10 years Anat Maytal has practiced law, she's helped recover money for victims of financial fraudster Bernie Madoff, assisted in settling disputes between corporations and shareholders, argued complex commercial cases in state and federal court, offered *pro bono* services to New York's transgender community and a death-row inmate in Alabama, and helped others with hearing disabilities build successful legal careers.

"I'm not surprised that I picked a profession where I'm allowed to argue for a living, because my entire life I've had to be an advocate for myself," says Maytal ('09), who lost much of her hearing after contracting viral meningitis as an infant. Arguing and negotiating are skills that come naturally to her, she says, and spending her childhood fighting negative stereotypes honed those talents.

BY CORINNE STEINBRENNER (COM'06)  
PHOTOS BY CHRIS SORENSEN





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Maytal is an associate in the Manhattan office of BakerHostetler, one of the country's largest law firms, where she focuses on commercial litigation and employment and labor law. She joined the firm in 2010, when it was staffing up for its role as court-appointed counsel to **IRVING PICARD** ('66), the trustee overseeing the liquidation of **BERNIE MADOFF'S** investment firm.

The liquidation, which aims to recover money from those who profited from Madoff's Ponzi scheme and return it to defrauded investors, is a large part of Maytal's caseload. Early on, she helped with investigations—determining how much each investor gained or lost—and drafted complaints. She's since been heavily involved in the discovery process, in motion practice, and in mediations. She's drafted settlement agreements and

appeared in court in the United States and the Cayman Islands. While Madoff's scheme itself was despicable, she says, unraveling it has provided an incredible learning experience.

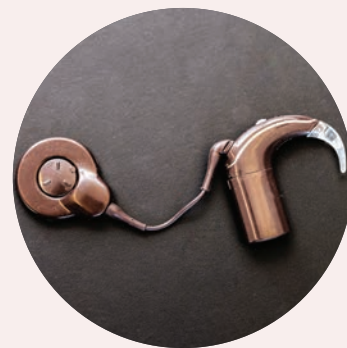
Picard says Maytal is a valuable member of the liquidation team. "She's meticulous. She's got a tireless work ethic," he says. "She does excellent research. She writes very persuasively. She's poised and professional—really a first-rate lawyer."

When Maytal decided to become a lawyer, she didn't imagine working for a big firm. "I thought I was going to be an assistant DA. I thought I was going to be the next Jack McCoy," she says, referring to the hard-hitting district attorney on the television drama *Law & Order*. When choosing electives as a BU Law student, she says, "I always picked something criminal related—juvenile delinquency, a course on federal sentencing. I did the [Criminal Law Clinical Program], whatever I could get my hands on."

But 2009 was a tough year to graduate with dreams of working for a New York DA's office. "All five boroughs were facing budget cuts," she says. "The Brooklyn DA's office turned away applicants because they didn't have the funds to pay their potential salaries."

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I'm not surprised that I picked a profession where I'm allowed to argue for a living, because my entire life I've had to be an advocate for myself.”





## In 2016, the American Bar Association named Maytal one of its **top 40 young lawyers.**

Maytal—a native of Queens, New York—instead took a job at a plaintiff-side class-action law firm in Manhattan. After a year, she moved to **BAKERHOSTETLER** and was surprised by how much she enjoyed the commercial and financial cases she tackled there. “I quickly realized this is the type of challenge I was looking for,” she says.

BakerHostetler also allows unlimited *pro bono* hours, and Maytal has taken full advantage—working with the Equal Justice Initiative of Montgomery, Ala., to help a death-row inmate appeal his sentence, representing low-income women in divorce and child-custody disputes, and guiding transgender people through the legal name-change process. She also coordinates her firm’s partnership with the New York City Law Department, which she says “is the entity that gets sued any time something happens in the city—a garbage truck hits your car, or a tree falls on you in the park.”

In 2016, the American Bar Association named Maytal one of its top 40 young lawyers, recognizing her work with the **DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING BAR ASSOCIATION (DHHBA)**, which she cofounded in 2014. A nonprofit, the DHHBA helps legal professionals with hearing disabilities

connect with and support one another.

“When I was in college, the idea of being a lawyer was in the back of my mind,” Maytal says, “but I didn’t have any representation of lawyers who were deaf or hard of hearing.” To discover whether and how people with hearing disabilities could practice law, she contacted nonprofit organizations and dug through online message boards. She eventually met attorneys with hearing disabilities, but the process could have been easier—and today it is. The DHHBA has a website, Facebook pages, and a listserv where students and legal professionals with hearing disabilities can find resources and make personal connections.

The DHHBA received nationwide media coverage in 2016 when Maytal organized a group swearing-in ceremony to admit some of its members to the Bar of the **UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT**. While the court gladly provided sign language interpreters for the deaf attorneys in the group, Maytal says, it took some negotiating to arrange the real-time captioning she and other hard-of-hearing lawyers rely on. Ultimately, the court agreed to create a restricted Wi-Fi network that allowed Maytal and her colleagues to access the official court reporter’s transcription of the proceeding on their personal tablets and smartphones.

“The Supreme Court had never allowed these devices into the courtroom before, so I think that’s why the ceremony got a lot of attention,” Maytal says. “After the swearing-in, we got so much feedback. We had attorneys reaching out to us, saying, ‘I never knew such an organization existed.’ We had students saying, ‘I didn’t even know this was an option for me.’”

Maytal sometimes attracts similar attention when she uses assistive devices

in the courtroom. Older attorneys with age-related hearing loss have approached her in court, she says, to ask about the technologies.

Maytal wears a hearing aid in her left ear and five years ago received a cochlear implant that dramatically improved the hearing in her right ear. Her hearing remains limited, however, so she uses a variety of techniques and technologies to navigate the law firm and the courtroom.

“In my office, I have a captioned phone that I often use to fill in the gaps in the conversation,” she says. “I do try to schedule more in-person meetings instead of relying all the time on the phone, which actually has proven to be beneficial, as it helps to build stronger relationships with my colleagues and clients.”

In the courtroom, she provides judges and witnesses an FM microphone that broadcasts directly to her hearing aid. In federal court, the court reporters are connected to a wireless system—similar to the one she used at the Supreme Court—that lets her read the transcription on her computer screen.

“State court is a bit more challenging because they have very small budgets and don’t have the same kind of sophisticated court-reporting system,” she says. “There, I rely more on my FM microphone system and working with the court and opposing counsel to make sure I can hear them.”

At the beginning of her law career, Maytal was hesitant to use her assistive devices in court. She didn’t like drawing attention to herself, and she feared people would jump to unfair conclusions about her abilities. “But I realized,” she says, “that in order to be a better advocate for others, I have to be my strongest advocate. So I pushed through.” ■







# BEHIND THE BENCH

## BU LAW GRADUATES FLOCK TO CLERKSHIPS ACROSS THE COUNTRY.

BY REBECCA BEYER // ILLUSTRATIONS BY ROBERT NEUBECKER

***When Robert Khuzami ('83) was nearing graduation, he sent dozens of letters to federal district court judges across the country hoping for a clerkship, and he eventually got one—on the US Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit.***

Unbeknownst to Khuzami—this was pre-internet—the judge who eventually hired him had been elevated to the appellate bench in the time between Khuzami's application and his phone interview. His potential new boss, Judge

John R. Gibson, told Khuzami he was hiring one clerk from the West Coast, one from the East Coast, and one from his alma mater, the University of Missouri School of Law.

"I said, 'I'm from the East Coast; I'm your man,'" recalls Khuzami, a native of upstate New York. And, meanwhile, "I'm thinking to myself, 'It's kind of odd that he has three clerks,' because district court judges typically had two. I ended up with this Eighth Circuit clerkship that I didn't even apply to."



Despite the happenstance nature of Khuzami's clerkship process, things worked out nicely for him. He has practiced in the private sector, served as director of enforcement for the US Securities and Exchange Commission, and was, until recently, the deputy US attorney for the Southern District of New York (and the acting US attorney in the case against President Trump's former attorney Michael Cohen). But it's safe to say that clerkship applications have gotten a little more strategic at BU Law over the years. And, consequently, the number of graduates who clerk has continued to rise, meaning many more alumni are benefitting from the mentorship and up-close-and-personal look at lawyering that comes from working side by side with a judge in their chambers.

### EXPANDING OPPORTUNITIES

One major turning point in the effort to expand clerkship opportunities at BU Law came in 2013 when Fiona Trevelyan Hornblower, who herself clerked on the US Court of Appeals for the First Circuit, joined the law school as assistant dean of the Career Development & Public Service Office (CDO). Hornblower created a dedicated position for clerkship applications and recruitment, and the results speak for themselves: Between 2015 and 2018, the overall number of graduates in clerkships doubled, and the number of alumni working as federal clerks increased fivefold. Among the Class of 2018, 12 graduates are clerking for state and local judges and 11 accepted federal clerkships, including two at the US Court of Appeals for the First Circuit.

"It's been a multi-pronged effort," says Blair G. Edwards, who joined BU Law as associate director for judicial clerkships and the private sector in 2017. "We've reframed our outreach to both students and courts, as well as our processes and commu-

nications about clerkships. We've seen a really terrific student response, and the numbers are definitely trending in the right direction."

Edwards says the CDO has increased its outreach both internally and externally. On campus, for instance, additional programming for first-year students has been put in place (the 2017 1L Career Conference included a new panel on judicial clerkships that was oversubscribed, so in 2018 the CDO added a second). Career counseling is now mandatory for any student planning to apply, and interested students have the option of being paired with a peer mentor to serve as a resource throughout the application and interview process. Further, Edwards seeks help identifying strong candidates from faculty and student groups, particularly those focused on areas of the law with specialized courts, such as bankruptcy or family law.


"There are lots of qualified students," Edwards says, "but when they have a narrow focus, they don't necessarily think of clerking as a step in their professional development. We help them understand the long-term professional and personal benefits of clerking."

The tailored approach seems to be working. Sam Claffin ('19) hoped to stay in the Boston area after graduation, and through the application process narrowed his focus to the appellate court. Edwards helped him earn a clerkship with the Massachusetts

Appeals Court, where this summer he will begin working with Associate Justice Sabita Singh ('90).

Edwards and the CDO also have increased outreach to courts and judges, including those that have not traditionally hired BU Law graduates.

"We definitely make an effort to show the caliber of our students," Edwards says. "There are certain markets where we have not had a high number of



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MEMBERS OF THE CLASS OF 2018 HAVE  
ALREADY GARNERED 23 ELITE FEDERAL  
AND STATE COURT CLERKSHIPS



Interested in speaking to BU Law  
students about your clerkship experi-  
ence or hiring a graduate for your chambers?  
Contact Blair Edwards at [edwards2@bu.edu](mailto:edwards2@bu.edu).



In the effort to increase BU Law's clerkship numbers, alumni have been a big part of the equation. Graduates who have clerked in the past return to campus to talk about their experiences with current students and make themselves available for other networking events as well.

applicants, so we may not be on the radar unless we affirmatively make contact."

Brynn E. Felix ('18), who married a Seattleite and received an offer from the Pacific Northwest firm Lane Powell, will begin a clerkship with Washington State Supreme Court Justice Mary I. Yu in 2019.

Yu normally hires clerks from local law schools who have externed in her chambers, but she said Felix—her first BU Law hire—stood out in the application and interview process.

"She knew a lot about me," Yu says. "That makes a difference because so many law students send out general letters without really knowing anything about the chambers to which they're applying. Brynn was spot-on in terms of knowing about me and the issues I care about. She was very familiar with some of our court's rulings."

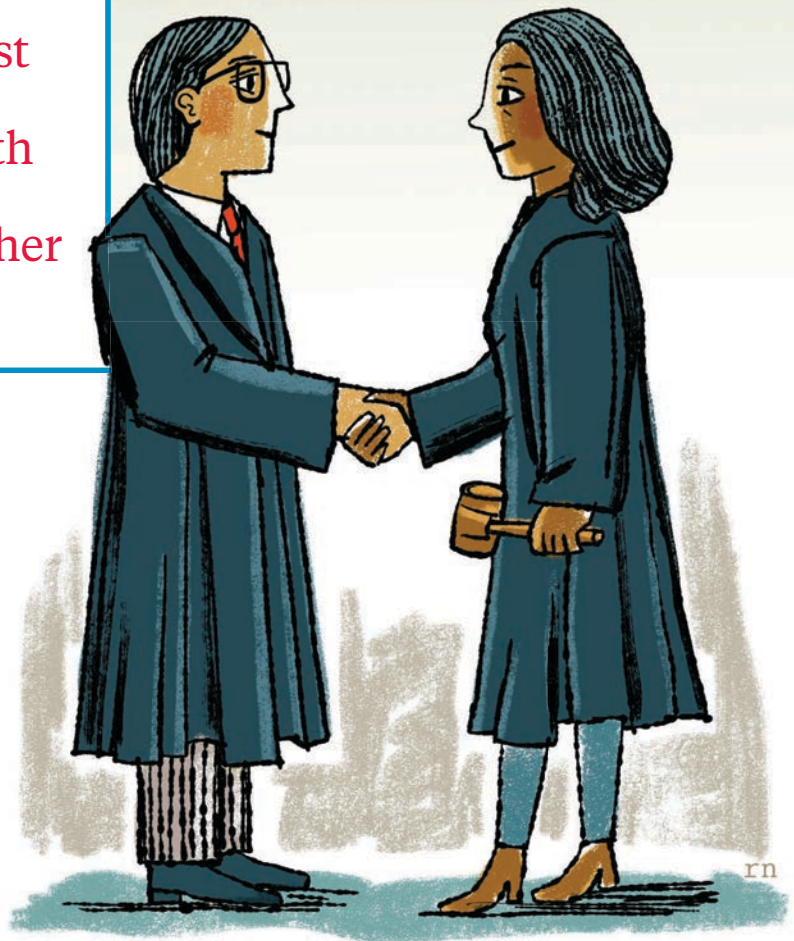
#### ALUMNI INVOLVEMENT

In the effort to increase BU Law's clerkship numbers, alumni have been a big part of the equation. Graduates who have clerked in the past return to campus to talk about their experiences with current students and make themselves available for other networking events as well. And alumni on the bench have taken up the cause, too. First Circuit Judge Juan R. Torruella ('57) has hired BU Law graduates as clerks or taken them on as interns since he became a district court judge in 1974.

"I think BU puts out a very good product," he says.

Other alumni judges are following suit. In 2015, Chase T. Rogers ('83), then-chief judge of the Connecticut Supreme Court, hired her first BU Law graduate, Jean-Phillip (J.P.) Brignol (Wheelock'12, LAW'15). This year, First Circuit Judge Sandra L. Lynch ('71) hired her first alum, Lucas Fortier ('18), and the First Circuit's other BU Law alum, Judge O. Rogerie Thompson ('76), has also hired BU Law graduates.

Rogers, who is now a partner at Day Pitney in Hartford, says clerkships are "an opportunity to really think deeply about legal



issues and have the luxury of time and really good legal minds around you to explore those issues." She says hiring a fellow BU Law graduate was a way to give back to the school.

"I felt that my experience at BU had been an excellent one and had prepared me well for being a lawyer," she says. "I felt like it would be the right thing to do."

Brignol says the experience with Rogers was "fantastic." One of the cases he analyzed, *Connecticut v. Kono*, resulted in a ruling that the state's constitution prohibits police from conducting a warrantless search of an apartment complex with drug-sniffing dogs. Brignol says Rogers considered the arguments he and another clerk put forward before making her own decision.

"I really felt a part of the team," he says. "When you are in chambers, you become part of the family."

Edwards says alumni with past clerkship experience are an excellent resource for current students.

"It is encouraging for students to see the success and the diversity of clerkship experiences that other BU Law graduates have had as they evaluate their own options," she says. ■





## BU Law Develops Counter-Terrorist-Financing Training Program with Qatar University College of Law

“We share with Qatar a commitment to defeating terrorist activities funded through the exploitation of financial technology.”



This past fall, the school entered into an agreement with Qatar University College of Law to develop a counter-terrorist-financing training program. Facilitated by **MICHAEL B. GREENWALD** ('10), former US Treasury attaché to Qatar and Kuwait, the intensive one-week course is designed to enhance the capacity of Qatar's legal professionals and government officials to combat the global threat of terrorist financing.

The course will address the training needs of Qatar's public prosecutors, ministry officials, and financial services professionals charged with detecting and disrupting illicit financing schemes. BU faculty with expertise in national security, anti-money-laundering methods, fintech, cybersecurity, and financial regulation will work with Qatar University College of Law's faculty to develop simulations and case studies based on real-world threats.

Faculty will include those from the Graduate Program in Banking & Financial Law with expertise in

fighting financial cybercrime, as well as experts affiliated with the University's Hariri Institute for Computing and Computational Science & Engineering, Frederick S. Pardee School of Global Studies, and Cyber Security, Law & Society Alliance.

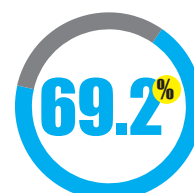
In addition to BU Law instructors, the program will feature experts from the US Department of the Treasury, US Department of State, CIA, and Federal Bureau of Investigation, who will share best practices in building and prosecuting counter-terrorist-financing legal cases.

“We share with Qatar a commitment to defeating terrorist activities funded through the exploitation of financial technology,” says **DEAN ONWUACHI-WILLIG**. “We are excited about establishing this unique partnership with the Qatar University College of Law. There is so much to be done to secure our nations, and I see this course as an important first step in developing a collaborative model that can make a major difference in the global fight against terrorist financing.”

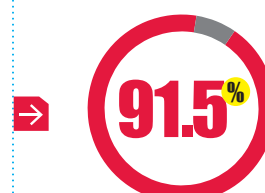
### GRADUATES EXCEL IN MASSACHUSETTS BAR EXAM

BU Law prepares its graduates to thrive in countless ways. In an early measure of the efficacy of that preparation, the school ranked second among Massachusetts law schools for percentage of graduates who passed the July 2018 state bar exam.

Statistics released by the Massachusetts Board of Bar Examiners put BU Law's overall bar passage rate at 91.5 percent, compared to a state average of 69.2 percent. For BU Law's first-time test takers, the passage rate was 93.7 percent, compared



STATE AVERAGE OF  
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BU LAW  
BAR PASSAGE RATE

to the state average of 78.9 percent. Only Harvard Law School ranked higher in the state for both overall and first-time test takers.

“We are delighted by these results, which show the continued excellence of our programming in preparing students to practice after they graduate,” says **FIONA TREVELYAN HORN-BLOWER**, assistant dean for career development & public service.

# Compassionate Release Practicum Helps Terminally Ill Inmates Seek Relief

In April 2018, Massachusetts became one of the last states to offer medical parole to terminally ill or incapacitated inmates. The provision was folded into an omnibus criminal justice reform bill, and, in spite of language that makes release for qualifying prisoners mandatory, only one person's petition had been approved as of November 2018.

In response to the backlog of prisoners who qualify for this type of relief, BU Law launched the Compassionate Release Practicum at the beginning of the spring 2019 semester. Taught by **RUTH GREENBERG**, a lecturer with the Wrongful Convictions Clinic, the experiential course is designed to engage students in direct representation of inmates not otherwise entitled to counsel. Students met with inmates and collected records, prepared and filed petitions for release, and litigated petitions that were denied at the Suffolk County Superior Court.

Since compassionate release is so new to the state, students have had the opportunity to engage with the legislative process as it has played out in real time. "This is one of the few places where students are engaging in an entirely new area of law in Massachusetts. It is a law that is still subject to debate—amendments have been proposed, lobbying is happening, and the state house has been active," Greenberg says. "What the students are learning, I think, is the power of their degree. I hope that has been a very rewarding thing. It certainly is rewarding for the clients."



For more information about the practicum, or to request its services, please contact **Ruth Greenberg** at [atty ruth@bu.edu](mailto:atty ruth@bu.edu).



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—**RUTH GREENBERG**



For more BU Law news, please visit [bu.edu/law/news](http://bu.edu/law/news).



National Moot Court Team

## NATIONAL MOOT COURT, ABA NEGOTIATION TEAMS WIN REGIONALS

Our student advocacy teams excelled at regional rounds of the National Moot Court and American Bar Association Negotiation Competitions in 2018.

**ALEXANDRA ARNOLD** ('19), **DAVID BIER** ('19), and **JASON ECKER** ('19), the National Moot Court team, went undefeated through three rounds of competition, ultimately defeating Boston College Law School in the finals. Additionally, Arnold won Best Oralist in the competition and the team received the second-highest brief score.

Of the three BU Law teams that attended the ABA Negotiation Competition, **MARIS KRAMER BROSNAN** ('21) and **AINSLEY TUCKER** ('21) prevailed, facing students from top law schools across the country on matters related to employment law.

Both teams performed exceptionally well in the



ABA Negotiation Competition Team

national rounds in early 2019 but ultimately fell short of their goal. "Our teams put in an enormous amount of work preparing for each round of competition," says Jen McCloskey ('05), associate director of the Legal Writing & Appellate Advocacy Program. "While we did not achieve the results we were hoping for, I am extremely proud of their performances."



Read more at [bu.edu/law/moot-court-2019](http://bu.edu/law/moot-court-2019).



# How Did the Constitution Become the Basis for Exclusionary Politics?

BU Law Professor and author:

**GERALD F. LEONARD**



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How did this exclusion actually become part of the white, male ideology of what they called democracy? It's not just that they forgot [women and people of color]; the exclusion itself was part of the notion of what democracy was to these white men.”

If Professor **GERALD F. LEONARD'S** first book, *The Invention of Party Politics*, focused on how political parties developed in the framework of an elitist, anti-party Constitution, his second—*The Partisan Republic: Democracy, Exclusion, and the Fall of the Founders' Constitution, 1780s–1830s*—tries to answer a broader question: How did an elitist, anti-party Constitution come to be interpreted as a “small-d” democratic Constitution that legitimated the political exclusion of women and people of color?

“How did this exclusion actually become part of the white, male ideology of what they called democracy?” Leonard asks. “There's a weird paradox in there—it's not just that they forgot these people; the exclusion itself was part of

the notion of what democracy was to these white men.”

Leonard, a Law Alumni Scholar, is a leading historian of American constitutionalism. Although he says scholars of the Constitution have traditionally traced the evolution of its interpretation through the courts—and particularly the US Supreme Court—Leonard's books contribute to an emerging body of scholarship that views constitutional development as a product of a variety of social, political, cultural, and institutional factors.

In analyzing constitutional development, scholars like Leonard consider not just the role of the courts but also

the influence of the legislative and executive branches, political parties, individual states, and popular protest movements.

“We're not really prioritizing” one over the other, he says. “The meaning of the Constitution depends on all of this, on a plurality of ideas.”



**THE PARTISAN REPUBLIC: DEMOCRACY, EXCLUSION, AND THE FALL OF THE FOUNDERS' CONSTITUTION, 1780S–1830S**  
BY GERALD F. LEONARD AND SAUL CORNELL



## BU LAW TO OFFER A MASTER IN THE STUDY OF TAX LAW

Granted through the school's Graduate Tax Program, the new Master in the Study of Tax Law is designed to provide foundational tax law training to aspiring and current accountants, auditors, and other business professionals. The program will enroll its inaugural class in the fall 2019 semester.

“As technology increasingly automates many of the basic functions previously performed by entry-level accountants, we are seeing tax employers push their junior associates to take on more consulting functions earlier in their careers,” says **CHRISTINA RICE**, program director. “This means that junior tax accounting professionals need more training in legal research and writing to succeed in today's tax practice, and we think our program is in the best position to meet that growing need.”

MSL candidates will have access to the Graduate Tax Program's comprehensive tax law curricula. They will also receive training in legal research and writing and in core legal analytical and problem-solving skills.

The program targets business professionals who seek fundamental exposure to tax law, as well as recent graduates of undergraduate accounting programs: the 24-credit master's degree can help them satisfy the 150 credit hours required for CPA licensure.

 For more information, visit [bu.edu/law/msl](http://bu.edu/law/msl).

# Examining Federalism in the Affordable Care Act



Top 20 ranked Health Law Professor and noted federalism researcher:

**NICOLE HUBERFELD**

After the US Supreme Court's first decision on the constitutionality of the Affordable Care Act (ACA), School of Law and School of Public Health Professor **NICOLE HUBERFELD** set out to examine how federalism impacted the healthcare law's implementation—to see how states and the federal government were sharing power in putting the law into place.

But she soon found that the standard principles of federalism didn't seem to apply neatly. One complication: the sheer variety of ways the states and federal government partnered (or not) to implement the law. The Obama administration was quite flexible in its negotiations with states, even allowing them to avoid using the law's name to sidestep association with the federal government—what Huberfeld and Abbe R. Gluck of Yale Law School call the “secret boyfriend” model of federalism—if it meant progress toward the goal of universal health insurance coverage.

Huberfeld and Gluck's resulting five-year study raises questions about what purpose federalism serves in healthcare policy and about existing federalism theories. The authors' findings were published by the *Stanford Law Review* in an article aptly named “What Is Federalism in Healthcare For?” The interviews conducted by the authors are relayed in a piece published by the *Indiana Health Law Review*, and future implications are consid-

ered in an article in the *Journal of Law, Medicine & Ethics*.

The papers fill a gap in legal research. Most federalism scholars rely heavily on theory, while many healthcare scholars tend to focus on detailed data. Huberfeld and Gluck brought both perspectives to their study. The pair worked with others to track state and federal ACA activity and interviewed government officials who worked on the law's implementation. They then examined their data through the lens of existing federalism theories, ultimately concluding that concepts like “separate-spheres”—which delineates specific responsibilities for states or the federal government—and “cooperative” were too simplistic.

“The goal was to understand the federalism dynamics of the most important healthcare law in a generation,” says Huberfeld. “The Affordable Care Act afforded an opportunity to watch this new, ground-level implementation happening in real time.”

## FACULTY RANKED AMONG THE TOP 20 MOST-CITED HEALTH LAW SCHOLARS



Three BU Law faculty members, **GEORGE ANNAS**, William Fairfield Warren Distinguished Professor, professor of law, and director of the Center for Health Law, Ethics & Human Rights at the School of Public Health; **KEVIN OUTTERSON**, BU Law's N. Neal Pike Scholar in Health & Disability Law and executive director of CARB-X; and **NICOLE HUBERFELD**, professor of law and professor of health law, ethics & human rights at the School of Public Health, were ranked among the top 20 most-cited health law scholars from 2013 to 2017.

Published by *Bill of Health*, the blog of the Petrie-Flom Center at Harvard Law, the rankings were calculated from citations of legal publications, as well as peer-reviewed academic literature, to construct two rankings—using Westlaw and Web of Science data—based on legal literature as well as articles published in medical and other non-law journals.

George Annas ranked #13 by Westlaw calculations and #8 on the Web of Science list. Kevin Outtersen ranked #13 on the Web of Science rankings and Nicole Huberfeld ranked #19 on the Westlaw list.



Boston's vibrant legal community offers a vast array of externship placements in countless practice areas.

Top: **CONSTANCE A. BROWNE**

Bottom: **KATE DEVLIN JOYCE**



## Experience Worth Sharing

Clinical Associate Professor **CONSTANCE A. BROWNE** always knew she wanted to combine her passion for teaching with the practice of law. Now, she's helping more legal educators do the same, authoring two chapters for a book on experiential learning in law schools.

Browne's chapters for the book, *Experiential Education in the Law School Curriculum*, show that experiential learning isn't just for clinics. The goal of the book is to encourage law schools to incorporate hands-on training throughout the curriculum.

In one chapter, Browne describes the steps BU Law took to rethink its curriculum, including a retreat co-led by Professor **GERALD LEONARD** where faculty, administrators, and alumni discussed experiential learning, core competencies, and other issues.

In her second chapter, Browne focuses on a deposition-based course she developed to teach professional responsibility. The class, *Effective and Ethical Depositions*, exposes students to conflicts that can arise in depositions that take place out of the view of a judge or jury. The course includes written assignments, simulated depositions, and peer review of the students' performance.

"A big part of my role is to teach theory, set up the experience, and ask the students to reflect on their planning and performances," Browne says. "I try to choose really good cases that are good for learning and to give the right support but not to take over the direction of the experience. Then students feel the burden of responsibility, whether it's a simulation in class or actually representing clients."

## Kate Devlin Joyce Named Director of Externships

A former Equal Justice Works fellow and director of public interest and then externship programs at BC Law, **KATE DEVLIN JOYCE**, the new director of BU Law's externship program, brings with her a wealth of experience as both a practitioner and a legal educator.

"Externships offer students the opportunity to gain experience and put into practice what they've learned in the classroom," she says. That connection between the theory and the practice of law is essential to legal education. Providing real opportunities to work in the field and learn from more senior and practiced attorneys allows students to "see how the law works in a real-life setting." They learn not only fundamental lawyering skills but also "how to network and connect with their community."

As director, Devlin Joyce intends to build on the already successful externship offerings for judicial, corporate counsel, federal agency, nonprofit, and other placements. By the end of the fall semester alone, students provided 11,120 hours of *pro bono* legal services to courts, government, and nonprofit organizations. Hoping to tap into the school's network of alumni, Devlin Joyce is looking to expand opportunities for students by connecting them with alumni in all industries and locations. "The more alumni we have as supervising attorneys, the stronger the experience and connections will be for our students," she says.

**+** Interested in hiring a BU Law extern? Contact Kate Devlin Joyce at [kdevlin@bu.edu](mailto:kdevlin@bu.edu).



Peter Paul Career Development Professors, photos by Cydney Scott

AHMED GHAPPOUR

PORTIA PEDRO



## Ahmed Ghappour and Portia Pedro Named BU Peter Paul Career Development Professors

Associate Professors **AHMED GHAPPOUR** and **PORTIA PEDRO** were named Peter Paul Career Development Professors in the fall, two of the five junior faculty to earn such a distinction from the University in 2018. Made possible by the support of BU trustee Peter Paul (Questrom '71), the professorships are awarded annually to junior faculty who have been identified as future leaders in their respective fields.

Ghappour, who joined BU Law in fall 2017, is an expert in cybersecurity and the modern surveillance state. His research bridges computer science and the law to address contemporary challenges wrought by new technologies in the administration of criminal justice and national security. Pedro, a Harvard JD and PhD in Law candi-

date at Yale, joined the school in fall 2018. Her dissertation studies judges' procedural decisions, probing hot-button topics like abortion, voting rights, and prison reform. The funding from the award will support each professor's research for three years.

"We are extremely proud of this year's class of Career Development Professors," says Jean Morrison, University provost and chief academic officer. "Whether advancing our understanding of law and culture, bridging disciplines to produce life-changing innovations in technology and medicine, or working to improve the quality of health coverage for our most vulnerable, all are making impressive strides and emerging as early leaders in their fields. They are doing very good work, and we are excited to support their progress."



Ghappour and Pedro earned two of only five such professorships, which highlight the caliber, potential, and continued vitality of Boston University's faculty.





**PUBLIC SERVICE  
FELLOWSHIPS  
AWARDED TO CLASS  
OF 2018 GRADUATES**

BU Law's Public Service Fellowships support recent graduates who have demonstrated their commitment to public service by providing salary and benefits for 12 months of work in state or local government agencies and nonprofit organizations in the United States and abroad.

This year's recipients, their fellowships, and their host organizations are:

- **XINIA BERMÚDEZ**, Cahill  
Gordon & Reindel LLP Fellow, Center for Justice and International Law
- **NICOLE HOLBROOK**,  
N. Neal Pike Disability Rights Fellow, Mental Health Legal Advisors Committee
- **MARIO PAREDES**, Cahill  
Gordon & Reindel LLP Fellow, Massachusetts Law Reform Institute
- **JAMES VAN WAGTEN-DONK**, Yanan and Dan Schwartz Fellow, Greater Boston Legal Services (Employment Law Unit)



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MYRON QUON

## Pro Bono & Public Service Kickoff Celebrates Myron Quon ('93)

BU Law's annual *Pro Bono & Public Service Kickoff* honored the work of **MYRON QUON ('93)** with the **2018 Victor J. Garo Public Service Award**. Quon has had a distinguished career working in civil rights, immigration, and healthcare reform in his current role as executive director of National Asian Pacific American Families Against Substance Abuse and in leadership positions at organizations such as the Asian Pacific American Legal Resource Center and Lambda Legal. He has led community coalitions, built civil rights initiatives, and litigated groundbreaking legal victories

ranging from protecting the rights of students at public schools to securing asylum for immigrants fleeing persecution to ending disability-related discrimination.

Created in 2007, the Garo award recognizes a BU Law alum whose work reflects the perseverance and dedication to public service demonstrated by Victor J. Garo (Questrom '63, LAW'65), who exonerated Joseph Salvati, a wrongly convicted man serving a life sentence for a high-profile murder. After 30 years in prison, Garo proved his client's innocence and secured him a \$31 million settlement for wrongful imprisonment—the largest award ever given to a family in a wrongful imprisonment case in US history.

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### THREE BU LAW STUDENTS NAMED 2018 RAPPAORT FELLOWS

The Rappaport Center for Law and Public Policy Fellowships offer students the opportunity to explore and expand their interests in public policy by spending a summer working with top policymakers in state and local government matters. Each year, the center selects 12 individuals to participate in this prestigious program, including, in 2018, three students from BU Law.

**SAM BURGESS** ('20) served his internship in the Office of the General Counsel at the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT) and at

the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA), **DANIEL ORDORICA** ('19) was placed in the Administrative Law Division of the Massachusetts Attorney General's Office, and **CLOE PIPPIN** ('20) interned at the Massachusetts Executive Office of Health and Human Services (EOHHS).



## BU Law Clinical Professors, Students Aid Migrants at the Southern Border

Members of the BU Law community made three trips to the southern border of the United States this academic year to offer legal services to migrants and detainees applying for asylum.

In response to the family separation crisis, Lecturer/Clinical Instructor **SARAH SHERMAN-STOKES** accompanied four BU Law students—**EMILY KASE** ('19), **CARLOS COUSINS** ('19), **MAGGIE LOEF-FELHOLZ** ('20), and **JULIO OLAYA** ('20)—to Arizona to work with the Florence Project, the only legal services provider for separated families in the state. The team worked in jails and children's centers, focusing on intake interviews and screenings.

Following the arrival of the migrant caravan from Central America and the resulting flood of asylum applicants, Sherman-Stokes, Clinical Associate Professors **JULIE DAHLSTROM** and **KAREN PITA LOOR**, and three more BU Law students—**JESUS ZELAYA** ('20), **GENESIS GUZMAN** ('19), and **CHELSEA TEJADA** ('20)—volunteered to offer aid. The group traveled to Tijuana, Mexico, to volunteer with Al Otro Lado, which offers legal services to migrants and refugees. Over spring break, Loor and Sherman-Stokes returned to Tijuana with **KAREN CHICAS** ('19), **DIEGO MENENDEZ** ('19), and **CHLOE SUGINO** ('20). On both Tijuana trips, professors and students led asylum workshops and intakes, volunteered, heard stories of asylum seekers' journeys and hardships at ports of entry, and offered legal rights educational sessions.



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## Public Service Student Loan Forgiveness: A Primer for BU Law Alumni

Established by Congress in 2007, the Public Service Loan Forgiveness program (PSLF) was welcome news to many people struggling to keep up with loan payments on the typically smaller salaries offered by public service positions. However, the requirements of the program are complex and not well communicated.

When the first wave of borrowers began to apply for forgiveness, more than 99 percent were denied. According to a US Department of Education report published in September 2018, only 300 of the 28,000 applicants had been approved and just 96 had received the benefit. Some applicants were denied for failing to meet the obscure program requirements (at times with conflicting information from their loan servicers) and others were denied for having missing or incomplete information on their forms.

In an effort to help borrowers understand PSLF and assess their eligibility, the Department of Education created an online Public Service Loan Forgiveness Help Tool. In addition, BU Law Director of Financial Aid Cheryl Constantine generated a list of commonly asked questions and resources to help students and alumni through the process.

"This is a complex program to navigate, and the details are critical to being successful," Constantine says. "But I'm reminded of a quote from our alum, Barbara C. Jordan (LAW'59, Hon.'69): 'If you're going to play the game properly, you'd better know every rule.'"



The staff in the BU Law Financial Aid Office are available to answer questions. Contact them at 617-353-3160 or [bulawaid@bu.edu](mailto:bulawaid@bu.edu).



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—CHERYL CONSTANTINE  
DIRECTOR OF  
FINANCIAL AID



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NOT THE JOB.**



**Q: WHICH LOANS QUALIFY FOR PSLF?**

**A:** Only loans in the Federal Direct Loan program are eligible for forgiveness through this program. Private loans, Perkins Loans, school-based loans, and federal loans in the Federal Family Education Loan Program (FFELP) are not eligible. You can consolidate Perkins Loans and FFELP Loans into the Direct Loan program and they will become a Federal Direct Consolidation Loan—which is an eligible loan.

**Q: WERE FEDERAL LOANS I BORROWED AT BU LAW DIRECT LOANS?**

**A:** Stafford and Graduate PLUS Loans borrowed while you were at BU Law were through the Direct Loan program (starting in the 1995–96 academic year). To make sure all of your federal loans are eligible, check with your servicer and the

National Student Loan Data System.

**Q: WHAT HAPPENS TO THE PAST PAYMENTS THAT I MADE IF I CONSOLIDATE MY LOANS DURING REPAYMENT?**

**A:** When you consolidate your loans, you are creating a new loan. The count of payments made resets and payments made before the consolidation do not count toward PSLF once the loans are consolidated.

**Q: WHICH REPAYMENT OPTIONS QUALIFY FOR PSLF?**

**A:** Only on-time payments made through one of the income-driven repayment (IDR) options or the Standard 10-Year Repayment Plan will count toward PSLF. The IDR options include Income Contingent Repayment (ICR), Income Based Repayment (IBR), Pay As You Earn (PAYE), and REPAYE.

**Q: HOW CAN I TELL IF MY JOB QUALIFIES?**

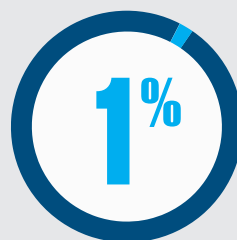
**A:** Eligible employment is based on the employer, not the job. We know from the legislation that US government employment at any level (federal, state, local, or tribal) qualifies. Working for a 501(c)(3) organization also qualifies. Other types of organizations can qualify as eligible employers; however, at this time, the Department of Education has not provided a list of qualifying employers. If you are working for an organization that is not a government or 501(c)(3) nonprofit, you will need to check very carefully to see if your employer is eligible.



**Q: WHAT HAPPENS IF I CHOSE THE WRONG REPAYMENT OPTION?**

**A:** Some borrowers who thought that they were on track for forgiveness have discovered that their payments were not eligible. The Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2018 provides a way for some borrowers who were denied forgiveness through PSLF to be reconsidered. The Department of Education is calling this reconsideration Temporary Expanded Public Service Loan Forgiveness (TEPSLF). This opportunity is temporary, has limited funding, and will be provided on a first-come, first-served basis. Once the funds are exhausted, TEPSLF will end.

 **For the full FAQ and links to online resources, visit [bu.edu/law/loan-forgiveness](https://bu.edu/law/loan-forgiveness).**



**OF PUBLIC SERVICE LOAN FORGIVENESS APPLICANTS WERE APPROVED IN 2018**  
US DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION



**THE CONSOLIDATED APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2018 PROVIDES A WAY FOR SOME BORROWERS WHO WERE DENIED FORGIVENESS TO BE RECONSIDERED**



## BU Law Alumni Leadership.

BU Law alumni are leading the way in guiding, securing, and envisioning the future of the school. To learn more about joining the ranks of our alumni leaders, please contact the Development & Alumni Relations Office at [lawalum@bu.edu](mailto:lawalum@bu.edu) or 617-353-3118.

### Letter from the 2018–19 president of the BU Law Alumni Association, Euripides Dalmanieras



Dear friends,

It has been a privilege to serve as president of our Alumni Association at the same time Dr. Angela Onwuachi-Willig has joined our community as the new dean of BU School of Law. I hope by now many of you have had an opportunity to meet Dean Onwuachi-Willig at one of the numerous alumni events she has attended around the country. If so, you no doubt have experienced her tremendous warmth, great intellect, enthusiastic commitment to furthering the reputation of BU Law, and passion for educating its students. I look forward to watching Dean Onwuachi-Willig's tenure take shape, and to celebrating the successes she will certainly bring to our alma mater.

Dean Onwuachi-Willig has expressed her enormous appreciation for the role we play as alumni of the school. To that end, I would like to take this opportunity to thank those of you who are engaged with BU Law and active in our community of students, faculty, and fellow alumni. Whether you mentor a BU Law student, hire a recent graduate, attend a regional networking event, keep in touch with former classmates and professors, or simply read the latest BU Law emails and newsletters, your participation in the BU Law community is both meaningful and valuable.

I am also incredibly grateful to our alumni who support BU Law with their charitable giving. Alumni investment in BU Law makes our first-rate legal education accessible to the most talented students regardless of their financial circumstances and broadens opportunities for recent graduates to provide critical legal aid in lower-paying public interest jobs without the burden of substantial student loan debt.

The loyalty and generosity of our alumni community strengthen BU Law—thank you. Please reach out to [lawalum@bu.edu](mailto:lawalum@bu.edu) if you are looking for more ways to get involved with or support the school, or visit [bu.edu/law/alumni](http://bu.edu/law/alumni).

Warm regards,

EURIPIDES DALMANIERAS ('01)  
Foley Hoag LLP

## Dean's Advisory Board

The collective resources, knowledge, guidance, and advocacy of the Dean's Advisory Board provide a distinct advantage in the school's efforts to set new standards in legal education. Members of this distinguished group serve as a sounding board for the dean and University leadership by reviewing, evaluating, and providing feedback on the most important matters facing BU Law. The Dean's Advisory Board welcomed five new members in 2018:

**Antonio G. Gomes, Esq. ('96)**

Senior Vice President and General Counsel, Citrix Systems Inc.

**Michael B. Greenwald, Esq. ('10)**

Senior Vice President, Tiedemann Advisors

**Cindy Z. Michel, Esq. ('00)**

Chief Compliance Officer, Apollo Global Management

**Saad M. Shervani, Esq. (LLM'04)**

Partner, Orbit Law Services

**Robin A. Walker, Esq. ('99)**

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**Michael D. Fricklas, Esq. ('84)**

Chief Legal Officer, Advance Publications Inc.

Campaign Cochair, BU Law

**Richard C. Godfrey, Esq. ('79)**

Partner, Kirkland & Ellis LLP  
Campaign Cochair, BU Law

**Susan M. Banks, Esq. ('84)**

Principal, Susan M. Banks Consulting

**Steven M. Bauer, Esq. ('83)**

Partner, Proskauer Rose LLP

**Philip S. Beck, Esq. ('76)**

Partner, Barlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott LLP

**Lisa G. Beckerman, Esq. ('89)**

Partner, Akin, Gump, Strauss, Hauer & Feld LLP

**Babak Boghraty, Esq. ('89)**

Attorney, Boghraty & Associates LLC  
Lecturer, BU Law

**Robert T. Butler, Esq. ('55)**

Chairman, Subaru Distributors Corp.

**Gerard H. Cohen, Esq. ('62)**

CEO, President and Treasurer, Western Carriers Inc.

**Robert B. Goldfarb, Esq. ('67)**

President, HRW Resources

**Daniel E. Levin, Esq. (JD'09, LLM'10)**

Tax Counsel, The Baupost Group LLC

**Peter S. Linden, Esq. ('84)**

Partner, Kirby McInerney LLP

**Matthew H. Lynch, Esq. ('84)**

Managing Director, Global Real Estate, UBS Asset Management

**Peter McCausland, Esq. ('74)**

Executive Chairman, Airgas Inc. (ret.)

**Hugh "Rick" McCombs, Esq. ('73)**

Partner, Mayer Brown LLP (ret.)

**Kenneth P. Morrison, Esq. ('83)**

Partner, Kirkland & Ellis LLP

**Linda S. Peterson, Esq. ('76)**

Associate General Counsel, Occidental Petroleum Corp. (ret.)

**Betsy B. Plevan, Esq. ('70)**

Partner, Proskauer Rose LLP

**Ryan K. Roth Gallo, Esq. ('99)**

Attorney-at-Law, Law Offices of Ryan Roth Gallo

**Terence L. Rozier-Byrd, Esq. ('06)**

Partner, Baker Botts LLP

**J. Michael Schell, Esq. ('76)**

Executive Vice President, Alcoa Inc. (ret.)

**Jeffrey Woolf, Esq. ('74)**

Assistant General Counsel, Board of Bar Overseers

**Howard Xinhua Zhang, Esq. ('93)**

Partner, Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP

**Stephen M. Zide, Esq. ('86)**

Senior Advisor, Bain Capital LLC

**Steven D. Zoll, Esq. ('88)**

Operating Partner, Arbor Investments

## Alumni Association Executive Committee

The Executive Committee brings resources to the use and benefit of the School of Law while providing a means of expressing alumni concerns and interests. Members coordinate and participate in law school reunions and other events, dispense advice and guidance from an alumni perspective, and facilitate mutually beneficial professional relationships within the BU Law community.

President:

**Euripides "Dakis" Dalmanieras, Esq. ('01)**

President Elect:

**Daniel R. Deutsch, Esq. ('86)**

Vice Presidents:

**Christopher M. Condon, Esq. ('01)**

**David R. Kerrigan, Esq. ('87)**

**Denzil McKenzie, Esq. ('76)**

**Russell J. Stein, Esq. (JD'04, LLM'05)**

Treasurer:

**Jonathan Anderman, Esq. ('08)**

Recording Secretary:

**Margaret L. Weir, Esq. (JD'04, LLM'08)**

Corresponding Secretary:

**E. Peter Alvarez, Esq. ('14)**

Parliamentarian:

**Ian C. Pilarczyk, Esq. ('95)**

## Young Alumni Council

The Young Alumni Council fosters a connection between the School of Law and alumni across the country and around the world. It is intended to bridge the gap between young, developing alumni (1 to 10 years after graduation), more seasoned alumni (11+ years after graduation), and current BU Law students. This is accomplished through social events, mentorship programs, volunteer opportunities, and professional networking among peers and other alumni.

## BOSTON YOUNG ALUMNI COUNCIL LEADERSHIP

Fall 2018 President:

**Marisa K. Roman, Esq. ('15)**

Spring 2019 President:

**Jared L. Schwartz, Esq. ('14)**

Vice President:

**Jennifer A. E. Gardner, Esq. ('15)**

Leadership:

**John M. Chambers, Esq. ('12)**

**Deborah J. Hinck, Esq. ('17)**

**Daniel C. Johnston, Esq. ('17)**

**Evelyn Limón, Esq. ('17)**

**Sarah A. Washington, Esq. ('17)**

## NEW YORK YOUNG ALUMNI COUNCIL LEADERSHIP

President:

**Sara White, Esq. ('16)**

Leadership:

**Harrison F. Freeman, Esq. (JD'17, LLM'17)**

**Robert W. Hyberg, Esq. ('14)**

**Young J. Yoon, Esq. ('14)**



## LLM Reunion Weekend.

BU Law was pleased to welcome alumni of its five LLM programs back to campus for the 2018 LLM Reunion Weekend, held September 20–22. Graduates from around the world returned to the school to reconnect with classmates, broaden their professional networks, and discover what is new about BU Law and Boston.

The weekend's festivities included a welcome reception with international students and optional self-guided tours for those who were new to the Sumner M. Redstone Building and the renovations to the law tower. On Friday, Assistant Dean of Graduate & International Programs John Riccardi gave a talk about current trends in legal education and how BU Law is responding before inviting alums to a cookout on the BU Beach. Afternoon panels with Professor Jack Beermann, faculty from the Graduate Tax Program, and alumni of the Banking & Financial Law Program covered cryptocurrencies and taxation, current issues in financial services law, and more.

Finally, graduates of all programs attended the LLM Reunion Gala Dinner at BU's Metcalf Trustee Ballroom on Saturday evening. No matter how much time has passed since graduation, BU Law will always feel like home to its alumni. We look forward to keeping in touch until the next LLM Reunion Weekend!

Assistant Dean of Graduate & International Programs John Riccardi addresses a crowd of nearly 140 LLM alumni.



Alumni of the Graduate Tax Program.



John Riccardi and his wife welcome alumni back to campus.

Dean's Advisory Board member Saad Shervani ('04) addresses his fellow LLM alumni at dinner in the Metcalf Trustee Ballroom.

LLM alumni enjoying the gala cocktail reception.

Banking & Financial Law Program Lecturer Frank Morrissey ('94) with former students.



## Alumni Events *in 2018.*

Alumni groups and committees are made up of talented, successful, and dynamic alumni committed to keeping the school's spirit alive and well after Commencement. The Alumni Association Executive Committee is expanding our alumni networks, mentoring students, and counseling new lawyers. The Dean's Advisory Board is leading the way in the Building on Excellence Campaign and securing the promising future of BU Law. In-House Counsel alumni groups are gathering around the country to share insights and best practices, and the Young Alumni Councils in Boston and New York continue to engage and connect with our most recent graduates.

In the past year, BU Law's Development & Alumni Relations Office has held 38 fantastic events across the US to connect more than 1,300 BU Law graduates. We're calling on all alumni to help keep our community strong and engaged! To volunteer or help organize an event in your area, contact Marcelene Parmelee, associate director of alumni relations, at [lawalum@bu.edu](mailto:lawalum@bu.edu).

### LLM REUNION WEEK STATISTICS

# 1994-2018

Range of graduating classes  
represented

# 138

Total alumni and friends who  
came to campus to celebrate

# 28

Number of countries represented

# 7

Number of events held

#### BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

Alumni Association Executive Committee Meeting (4)  
Dean Search Committee Alumni Breakfast  
Alumni and Admitted Student Reception at Goodwin Procter  
Bowling with Professor Beermann  
Young Alumni Council Open Meeting  
Alumni Service Day at the Paulist Center  
Distinguished Alumni Dinner with Judge Juan Torruella  
Young Alumni and 3L Mixer  
Reunion Weekend 2018  
Young Alumni and Summer Associate Barbecue  
LLM Reunion Weekend 2018  
Donor Appreciation Waterfront Cookout  
Meet the New Dean Reception  
Young Alumni Council Fall Open Meeting  
Young Alumni Fall Student Kickoff  
Dean's Advisory Board Meeting (2)  
Boston Alumni Holiday Party

#### CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

Chicago Alumni Holiday Party

#### LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

Alumni and Admitted Student Networking  
Reception at NBCUniversal  
Meet the New Dean in LA  
Los Angeles Alumni Holiday Party

#### NEW YORK, NEW YORK

Alumni and Admitted Student Networking  
Reception at Baker Botts  
Alumni and Student Reception at Goodwin Procter  
Meet the New Dean in New York  
Young Alumni Happy Hour  
New York Alumni Holiday Party

#### SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

Alumni and Admitted Student Networking  
Reception at Kirkland & Ellis  
Meet the New Dean in San Francisco  
San Francisco Alumni Holiday Party

#### WASHINGTON, D.C.

D.C. Public Service Award and Admitted Student  
Reception at Sidley Austin  
Alumni Networking Reception  
Alumni Service Day  
D.C. Alumni Holiday Party

#### STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT

Connecticut Alumni Reception

**+** TO LEARN MORE ABOUT EVENTS  
IN YOUR AREA, VISIT [BU.EDU/  
LAW/ALUMNI/EVENTS](http://BU.EDU/LAW/ALUMNI/EVENTS).

**JUNE 7-9**

# REUNION WEEKEND 2019

Join us in Boston this spring to celebrate BU Law's Reunion Weekend! Classes ending in 4 and 9 are invited back to campus to reconnect with classmates and faculty over a weekend of memorable events, including a golf outing, class cocktail parties, a reception with Dean Angela Onwuachi-Willig, and our annual Silver Shingle Awards Gala at the Four Seasons Hotel.

To learn how you can get involved, please contact us at [lawreun@bu.edu](mailto:lawreun@bu.edu) or **617-353-3096**.

## FRIDAY, JUNE 7

- Alumni Golf Outing
- Golden Circle Dinner  
(Class of 1969 and earlier)
- Class Receptions

## SATURDAY, JUNE 8

- School of Law Open House
- Fireside Chat with Dean  
Onwuachi-Willig and  
Alumni Panel Discussion
- Annual Silver Shingle  
Awards Gala and "Sips &  
Sweets" After-Party

## SUNDAY, JUNE 9

- Alumni & Family Reception  
at Fenway Park, followed by  
the Red Sox vs. the Tampa  
Bay Rays



**FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE  
VISIT [BU.EDU/LAW/REUNION](http://BU.EDU/LAW/REUNION).**



# CLASS NOTES

## JURIS DOCTOR (JD) PROGRAM

### 1966

**David G. Hanrahan** published *A Deadly Recollection*, a Boston crime thriller.

### 1968

**James W. Murdoch** has been selected by his peers for inclusion in the 25th edition of *The Best Lawyers in America* for his work in the practice areas of family law and criminal defense. He was also recognized as a 2019 "Lawyer of the Year" for his work in criminal defense.

### 1973

**John A. Bowen** joined his family law firm (with his father and brother, both BU Law grads) in Fitchburg, Mass., after law school. He specializes in real estate, trusts and estates, and not going to court (except to dribble and shoot but not pass, as those with whom he played at school will remember). He was involved in the operation of a local amusement park until it closed in 2000, spending part of his time worrying about closings and probates and the other part worrying about new rides and stuffed animals. He has been on the local zoning board as chairman or regular member off and on since 1974, and has been town moderator since 1991 (which, he has been told, is the closest thing to God that he will ever get).

**John W. Gahan**, a partner in the real estate department of Sullivan & Worcester, was selected to receive the National Housing & Rehabilitation Association "Vision" Award.

### 1974

**Seymour W. James** has become a partner in the criminal defense and civil rights firm Barket Epstein Kearon Aldea & LoTurco.

**Harvey M. Kaplan**, an immigration attorney, received the Open Avenues Foun-

dation 2018 Humanitarian Award after 40 years of fighting for immigrants' rights. Open Avenues is a nonprofit organization with a mission "to equip and empower immigrants with opportunities that enable them to reach their full potential and contribute to American society."

### 1977

**Joel Weiss** was selected for inclusion in the *New York Metro Super Lawyers* 2018 list.

### 1978

**Thomas Andrew** will return to the board of selectmen in the town of Berlin, Mass., after a 367-224 win over his opponent.

**Eric Brenman** (LLM in Taxation'83) is of counsel to Wilchins, Consentino & Novins, in Wellesley, Mass.

**Robert S. Fleishman** joined Kirkland & Ellis LLP in their Washington, D.C., office as a partner in the corporate practice group.

### 1979

**Frederic L. Lieberman** has joined Seyfarth Shaw's labor and employment practice group in New York as counsel.

### 1980

**Lydia G. Chesnick** was selected for inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America New England Edition* 2019. She was also named a *Banker & Tradesman* Women of FIRE.

### 1981

**Carl N. Weiner** is a cochair of the real estate group of Hamburg, Rubin, Mullin, Maxwell & Lupin and has been recognized in *The Best Lawyers in America* 2019 for land use and zoning law.

### 1982

**David F. Eisner** has been appointed the assistant secretary for management at the US Department of the Treasury by President Donald Trump.

**Jeffrey S. Robbins** joined Saul Ewing Arnstein & Lehr as partner in the firm's Boston office.

### 1983

**Steven M. Fischbach** lived in Rhode Island after graduation, working mostly for Rhode Island Legal Services. His practice has involved representing community groups on racial justice issues in the areas of housing, environment, and education, and, more recently, representing individuals in foreclosure and eviction matters. In fall 2018, he moved to Richmond, Va., to become the first litigation director of the Virginia Poverty Law Center, the state support center for all of the legal aid programs in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

**K. Gabriel Heiser** moved to San Miguel de Allende, Mexico, in 2014, where he is constructing a full recording studio in his house. His music can be found at GabeHizer.com. He is still updating his book on Medicaid planning each year (MedicaidSecrets.com).

**Alan S. Rutkin** was awarded the 2018 John Alan Appleman Award by the Federation of Defense & Corporate Counsel (FDCC). The award recognizes the substantive law section chair who has made the most outstanding contribution to the advancement of the FDCC's educational goals through the work of his or her section.

**Brian Z. Tamanaha** has been named the John S. Lehmann University Professor at Washington University School of Law in St. Louis.

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## 1984

**Raymond L. Miolla** was appointed the chief development officer at Planet Fitness.

**Mark N. Reinharz** was selected for inclusion in *New York Metro Super Lawyers* 2018 in the category of employment & labor.

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## 1985

**Robert M. Finkel** (LLM in Taxation'95) was recently selected by his peers for inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America* 2019 for tax law and tax litigation & controversy.

**Steven V. Napolitano** joined Kirkland & Ellis LLP as a partner in the firm's Chicago office.

**Douglas A. Neary**, vice-chairman and partner in Calfee, Halter & Griswold's corporate and capital markets group, was named a "Leader in Their Field" in the 2018 edition of *Chambers USA: America's Leading Business Lawyers*.

**Joseph D. Zaks** (LLM in Taxation'89) was named among *The Best Lawyers in America* 2019 in the area of trusts & estates.

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## 1986

**Jay Steven Kogan** was promoted to senior vice president, legal affairs, at DC Entertainment. In his role as SVP, Jay is responsible for the day-to-day management of DCE's legal department, supervising all aspects of legal affairs for the company, including contract review and negotiation, rights acquisition and clearance, and film and television licensing.

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## 1987

**Laura B. Frankel** joined JAMS as a full-time mediator based in the Chicago office. She specializes in professional liability, insurance, personal injury, and commercial litigation.

**Douglas Robert Steinmetz** joined Halloran Sage as partner in the firm's Westport and Hartford offices.

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## 1988

**Lori D. Bauer** has been appointed managing principal of Jackson Lewis' New York office. She has served as the office's litigation manager since 1999 and devotes her time to counseling management in a wide variety of employment matters and litigating employment claims before administrative agencies and state and federal courts.

**Susan Cohen** has been selected as one of the Top Women of Law for 2018 by *Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly*.

**Eric E. Nord** became president of the State Bar of Montana in September 2018. He is a partner at Crist, Krogh & Nord in Billings and specializes in the area of business law and litigation with an emphasis on commercial transactions, employment law, real estate, construction law, and corporate relations.

**Samuel Ramer** is now senior associate counsel to the President at the Office of the White House Counsel.

**John R. Sachs Jr.** passed away on November 18, 2018, after a courageous fight with a very aggressive cancer. After several years inside corporate law firm life in New York City—first as an associate with Rivkin Radler, then as partner at both Ohrenstein & Brown and Epstein Becker & Green—John developed his own national general civil litigation practice with headquarters in Manhattan and Long Island. John was a good friend to several of his BU Law classmates who loved him like a brother and will miss him and his wry, dry, snarky wit.

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## 1989

**William J. Anthony** has been elected cochair of Jackson Lewis PC.

**Gary Domoracki** now runs the Boston office for Stifel, a middle market investment bank and wealth management firm. He is helping clients with financial planning—a service he would like to extend to his classmates.

**Bryan S. Neft** was named the 110th president of the Allegheny County Bar Association. His one-year term began July 1, 2018, and will end on June 30, 2019.

**Vicki L. Shemin** has been selected as one of the Top Women of Law for 2018 by *Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly*.

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## 1991

**Pamela Beth Greene** joined Radford as associate partner.

**Matthew R. Rockwood** published *Schooled!*, a fictionalized version of his experience teaching at one of New York City's worst-performing public high schools.

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## 1992

**Tanya A. Alvarado** founded a law firm dedicated to special education law and representing children with special needs. The Law Office of Tanya A. Alvarado has the additional distinction of being one of the only bilingual law firms in Pennsylvania that offers representation to Spanish-speaking families throughout the state.

**Steven L. Elbaum** was recognized in the 2018 edition of *Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business* in the Connecticut real estate category.

**Anu Murthy** is now back in Boston (an empty nester!) after spending over 20 years in North Carolina in private practice and health system leadership. Now, she focuses on healthcare consulting and strategic in-house counsel searches for companies in the northeastern US. She would love to connect with any BU alumni in the area!

**Matthew Rappleye** was appointed general counsel at Saxton & Stump.

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## 1993

**Hon. Vickie L. Henry** enjoyed 16 years of practice at Foley Hoag LLP, where she served as cocounsel with GLBTQ Legal Advocates & Defenders to bring the successful challenge of the Defense of Marriage Act. In 2011, GLAD asked



her to continue fighting DOMA and for marriage equality full time. She also became director of GLAD's youth initiative and helped with the marriage trial in her home state of Michigan. After nearly five years at GLAD, Governor Charlie Baker nominated her (and classmate **Eric Neyman** '93) —go section C!) to the Appeals Court, where she has served since December 2015. She is lucky and blessed to serve in such a position. She has a wife, Claire; a 16-year-old daughter, Lucy; a 14-year-old son, George; and 2 dogs, Fenway and Jackpot. She hopes you are all well.

**Michael McTigue** joined Akin Gump as partner in the firm's national class action litigation team.

**Jay S. Ruderman** received an honorary degree from Brandeis University for his work advocating for the inclusion of people with disabilities worldwide and educating Israeli leaders on the American Jewish community.

**U. Gwyn Williams** has been selected as one of the Top Women of Law for 2018 by *Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly*.

## 1994

**Bonnie L. Loedel** was promoted to first VP and senior fiduciary officer at Rockland Trust.

**Caryn B. McDowell** joined Revance Therapeutics Inc. as senior vice president, general counsel, and secretary.

## 1995

**Gregory Ewing** was appointed vice president, compliance and regulatory affairs, at Trillium Health.

**Lauren Goldberg** has been selected as one of the Top Women of Law for 2018 by *Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly*.

**Michael C. Keats** joined Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson LLP as a partner in the litigation department.

**Peter Rosenthal** joined Downtown Music as general counsel.

## 1996

**Amy B. Ikerd** started her three-year term on the Ohio State Bar Association (OSBA) Board of Governors on July 1, 2018.

## 1997

**Michael Dougherty** had the honor of being elected district attorney of the 20th Judicial District (Boulder County) in Colorado. He is excited for the work ahead! His office is committed to enhancing public safety and progressive criminal justice reform. He encourages BU Law students to apply for internships and full-time positions. He will remain forever grateful for his experience with BU Law and the Public Interest Program!

## 1998

**Grace B. Garcia** was elected secretary of the Massachusetts Bar Association for the 2018–19 year.

**Michelle M. Wezner** was selected for inclusion in the *Michigan Lawyers Weekly* "Women in the Law" class of 2018. Now in its eighth year, the "Women in the Law" awards program honors 30 high-achieving lawyers in Michigan.

## 1999

**Shuba Satyaprasad** has been named group general counsel for global management consulting firm LEK Consulting.

**Sara Silva** has been selected as one of the Top Women of Law for 2018 by *Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly*.

## 2000

**Damien D. Berthiaume** joined the board of trustees of North Brookfield Savings Bank.

## 2001

**Eugene G. Delgado** joined La Unión del Pueblo Entero as legal counsel to assist with legal representation in addition to community organizing.

**Daniel I. Malasky**, formerly general counsel and managing director, business affairs, of the National Campus of the US Tennis Association in Orlando, Fla., and most recently chairman of the board of the Central Florida Sports Commission, has been appointed chief legal officer of the Tampa Bay Buccaneers of the National Football League.

## 2002

**Alisa L. Hacker** joined Day Pitney LLP as a litigation partner in the firm's Boston office.

**Ian Prior** (LLM in Banking & Financial Law'09) is now vice president at Mercury Public Affairs.

## 2003

**Aram Calderera Bloom** has joined the Miami office of Hinshaw & Culbertson LLP as a partner. He focuses on healthcare transactions, licensing and regulatory compliance, and due diligence involved in mergers and acquisitions of regulated entities. His clients include pharmaceutical companies, distributors, wholesale vendors, and compound pharmacies, as well as assisted living and rehabilitation and recovery facilities.

**Sherley E. Cruz** started a position as practitioner in residence with the Civil Advocacy Clinic at American University, Washington College of Law (WCL). In January 2018, the Hispanic Bar Association of the District of Columbia selected her to serve as chair of their Public Interest Committee. In spring 2018, the WCL Public Interest Program awarded Professor Cruz with the 2018 Faculty Award for her careerlong dedication to public interest.

**Sean Solis** joined Milbank, Tweed, Hadley & McCloy LLP as partner in the firm's structured finance and securitization group in New York.

## 2004

**Spencer A. Cordell** has been elected to the board of directors of the Lee County Bar Association. He is a board-certified criminal trial attorney

in Southwest Florida, where he has his own practice, the Law Office of Spencer Cordell, with an office in Fort Myers, Fla. He was also recently recertified in Criminal Trial Law by the Florida Bar, an honor only achieved by seven percent of the attorneys in the state, and he also serves on the executive committee of the Lee County chapter of the Florida Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers (FACDL) as well as the board of directors for FACDL statewide. He lives in Lee County with his fiancée and their two small children.

**Peter J. Cuomo** was promoted to member at Mintz Levin.

**Craig S. Friedman** was selected for inclusion in the *Daily Report's* 2018 list of lawyers "On the Rise," which features 20 attorneys under the age of 40 who are expected to go far in the field.

**Russell Stein** (LLM in Graduate Taxation '05) joined Partridge Snow & Hahn as of counsel in the Boston office.

## 2005

**Daniel McAllister** was named one of the "Top Lawyers 2018" from his firm, Baird Mandalas Brockstedt LLC.

## 2006

**Jeffrey Barry** joined Trinity Investments as general counsel.

**Elad L. Roisman** was sworn into office as a Securities & Exchange Commission (SEC) commissioner by SEC Chairman Jay Clayton. He was nominated to the SEC by President Donald J. Trump, and his nomination was confirmed by the US Senate in September 2018.

**Eric Yen-Kai Wu** was made partner at Ropes & Gray LLP.

## 2008

**Maia M. Larsson** joined the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services as a health insurance specialist in the office of legislation.

**Brandon S. McGathy** joined Greenberg Traurig LLP as of counsel.

**Brendan T. McVey** joined NYC Health + Hospitals as associate director.

## 2009

**Nathaniel Amory** was promoted to partner at Latham & Watkins LLP.

**Laura G. Lariu** was recently appointed general counsel of Virgin Hyperloop One, a Los Angeles-based company that is building a fifth mode of transportation to eliminate barriers of time and distance by moving cargo and passengers immediately, safely, efficiently, and sustainably using a hyperloop system. The company uses a custom electric motor to accelerate and decelerate a levitated pod through a low-pressure tube. Laura has two other BU Law alums on her team. As an aside, she met her husband—**Brian Roberts** ('09)—when they sat next to each other during their first week of 1L at BU Law. They've been together ever since—12 years now!

**Carlton Patrick** has published his book, *Objection: Disgust, Morality, and the Law* (Oxford University Press, 2018).

**James J. Pergolizzi** was recognized in the 2018 Upstate *New York Super Lawyers* Rising Stars list in the field of real estate.

**Andrew Peter Sutton** joined WilmerHale as senior associate.

## 2010

**Marissa L. Caylor** (LLM in Banking & Financial Law '11) was promoted to counsel in the Office of Quality Review on the Board of Veterans' Appeals at the US Department of Veterans Affairs.

**Anthony J. Dutra** joined Hanson Bridgett LLP as an associate attorney.

**Michael B. Greenwald** became a member of the boards of directors at Susan G. Komen and HALO Maritime Defense Systems.

**Erik W. Hansen** joined Ice Miller LLP as of counsel to the business group.

**Elitza Miteva** joined Lincoln Financial Group as assistant vice president and senior counsel in group protection.

## 2011

**Andrea Frangadakis** was promoted to director of strategy and business operations in the client experience department at Stitch Fix.

**Julia Grégoire** joined Kramer Levin Naftalis & Frankel LLP as associate.

**Shayda Zaerpoor Le** assumed the role of president of the Multnomah Bar Association Young Lawyers Section. In addition to being a partner at Barran Liebman, she continues to serve the legal profession and community as a whole. Barran Liebman looks forward to supporting her in her MBA YLS Presidency for the 2018–19 year.

## 2012

**Natalie M. Logan** became partner at Kirkland & Ellis LLP.

**Adamma C. Obele** was promoted to legal counsel II and business control officer at Santander Bank.

**Ian Knowlton Peck** joined Farella Braun + Martel LLP as an associate.

**Victoria Marie Starrett** joined Public Counsel as a staff attorney for the Deported Veterans Legal Services Project.

## 2013

**Jorge L. Gómez-Möller** joined Driftwood Acquisitions & Development as general counsel.

**Jamie H. Gorton** opened his own practice shortly after being admitted to the Massachusetts and New Hampshire bars and has been practicing immigration law and criminal law for five years. His office has grown to two immigration attorneys and offers services in Spanish and Portuguese. He practices law in Malden, Mass., where he lives with his wife, Rachael. He is the immediate-past master of Boston University Lodge AF & AM, the Freemason's Lodge for BU students, staff, and



alumni. He is also the vice president of First Parish in Malden, Unitarian Universalist.

**Chelsea A. Johnson** joined the MIT Investment Management Company as a legal services associate.

## 2014

**Zackary O. Crawford** joined Osler, Hoskin & Harcourt LLP as a tax associate.

**Charlotte D. Drew**, an associate in Sherin and Lodgen's litigation department, was one of 26 lawyers chosen as academy fellows for the 2018–19 class of the Massachusetts Bar Association's Leadership Academy.

**Emmanuel Dimitrios Filandrianos** joined Nutter McClennen & Fish as an associate in the firm's intellectual property department.

**Michelle Goldberg** was promoted to director of legislative budget analysis at Boston City Council.

**Michael E. Steinberg** joined Seyfarth Shaw LLP as an associate.

**Yongqing Douglas Yang** is an associate at Sheppard Mullin Richter & Hampton LLP.

## 2015

**Aaron M. Horth** joined the Legal Aid Society as a staff attorney.

**Terrance Lanier** is an associate at Fitch Law Partners LLP.

**Ciara T. Napoli** joined Triple-S Management as legal counsel in the firm's corporate affairs department.

**Courtney Simmons** has joined Davis Malm as an associate in the firm's litigation practice.

## 2016

**Melissa H. Kim** clerked for Chief Judge M. Casey Rodgers in the US District Court for the Northern District of Florida and is now attending NYU School of Law for an LLM in Taxation.

## 2017

**In-Sung Kim** (LLM in Taxation'17) joined Crowell & Moring LLP as an associate.

**Lauren Rubin** is assistant corporation counsel with the New York City Law Department.

**Victoria A. Wiley** is now associate vice president of Eaton Vance Management Inc.

## 2018

**Philip K. Chen** joined Fish & Richardson PC as a law clerk.

**Maggie M. Chrusciel** is an associate attorney with Grimaldi & Pesiridis LLC.

**Julia E. Class** joined Updike, Kelly & Spellacy as an associate.

**Stephanie B. Cohen** is currently a restructuring associate with Kirkland & Ellis LLP.

**Stephen T. Healy** joined Kirkland & Ellis LLP as an associate.

**Benjamin C. Levine** joined Katten Muchin Rosenman LLP as a law clerk.

**Shaida Mirmazaheri** is a law clerk with Foley Hoag.

**Andrea-Gale Ogechi Okoro** joined McDermott Will & Emery as a law clerk.

**Olivia R. Share** joined Greenspoon Marder LLP as an associate.

**Jordan M. Shelton** joined Proskauer Rose LLP as a law clerk.

**Qiuyi Wu** joined Fish & Richardson PC as a law clerk.

## LLM IN AMERICAN LAW

## 2004

**Arnaud Arrecgros** joined Maples and Calder as a partner in the Finance Group.

## 2008

**Yoninah R. Orenstein** joined Sadek and Cooper Law Offices LLC as an associate attorney.

## 2010

**Paola C. Moroni Stampa** and her husband Guillaume became parents of their first child, a smiling baby girl called Maria Carla, in February 2018. The happy

family now lives between Fribourg and Lugano, Switzerland.

## 2011

**Daphne Juliette Francoise Latour** joined Laurent Cohen-Tanugi Avocats.

## 2012

**Yoab Bitran** is head of LRN Latin America and the academic director of the Thomson Reuters LatAm Compliance Diploma.

**Juan Carlos Tristan Rodriguez** was promoted to partner at BLP.

## 2013

**Matteo Anson Valeri** is a senior associate at SLCG Studio Legale Associato in Milan, Italy. He has been married to his wife, Valentina, since 2015 and is the father of Isabella Eudorah, born January 2017.

**Georg Hermann Gerstberger** joined Loyens & Loeff as senior associate.

## 2014

**Rocío Aluminé Díaz** is a senior associate at Genneia SA, in the energy and renewable energy groups.

**Jorge E. Fernandez-Palacios** recently joined CMS Woodhouse Lorente Ludlow's Mexico City office as a senior associate in the energy, real estate, and project finance practice areas. Previously, he spent three years leading key strategic corporate and renewable energy projects throughout Latin America and the Philippines for Coca-Cola FEMSA. He is the father of two (hopefully) future Terriers, Eva (4) who was expected in the second semester of the LLM, and Amaya.

**Masamichi Komatsu** (LLM in Banking & Financial Law'15) is a member of Baker McKenzie's Major Project Practice Group in Tokyo.

## 2015

**Andrea Fortoul** founded Fortoul & Ricalde Law Firm in August 2018, specializing in corporate, agrarian, and energy law.

**Johann Hartleben** was recently promoted to partner at the firm Comte & Font, based in Guatemala City.

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#### LLM IN BANKING & FINANCIAL LAW

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##### 1996

**Luisa Vargas** is VP of compliance for JPMorgan Colombia.

##### 2004

**Petros Fatouros** was recently awarded the title of trust and estate practitioner and became a member of the UK's Society of Trust and Estate Practitioners. His practice, Phi Lambda Law Firm, of which he is co-managing partner, is a UK Legal 500-listed firm in private client matters and has been listed as one of the Top 100 Global Law Firms by the *Global Restructuring Review*.

##### 2008

**Ioanna Kakoura** is an in-house counsel in M&A, finance, and international activities with the OTE Group in Greece.

##### 2009

**Carlos Mainero Ruiz** is a local partner at the Mexico City office of White & Case. His practice includes capital markets, banking, regulatory law, and M&A. He is happily married with one daughter and another due in May! He recalls his year in the Banking & Financial Law program at BU as one of the best of his life.

##### 2011

**Soren Packer** recently became in-house counsel and chief compliance officer for Ferrari SpA, the US captive finance subsidiary of the Italian manufacturer of Ferrari automobiles.

##### 2012

**Diane Doumit** worked for a year in Beirut, Lebanon, as a junior associate in one of the major banking and finance law practices after graduating from BU Law. In 2014, she was admitted to the New York bar and then received an offer for an associate position at the Arab Law Bureau (Qatar), with the main area of practice in project finance and transac-

tional work. She is happily married to her longtime boyfriend and they both live in Qatar.

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##### 2015

**Yiming Zhang** is an associate with the banking team of King & Wood Mallesons in their Beijing office. His practice focuses on acquisition finance, project finance, general banking, securitization, and banking regulatory matters.

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#### LLM IN INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS LAW

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##### 2015

**Ralph Nwoke** is a partner at DF Legal. He and his wife welcomed a handsome baby boy named Munachiso on April 3, 2018.

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#### LLM IN TAXATION

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##### 1984

**Hon. Greg Griffin** is serving on the 15th US Circuit Court of Appeals in Montgomery, Ala. He was appointed to the bench by the governor in 2014 and elected to a full six-year term in 2016. He is married and the father of six children.

**Kevin Wall** is a lecturer in the Graduate Tax Program, teaching tax law research.

##### 1985

**Paul Vilaró Nelms** is a self-employed attorney, notary, and CPA.

##### 1986

**Robert B. Stynes** lives in the Netherlands and is applying for a visa to be a freelance writer to publish in his field. He would love to stay in touch with his fellow alumni.

##### 1987

**John M. Loalbo** joined Windels Marx Lane & Mittendorf LLP as a partner in the firm's Madison, N.J., office.

##### 1991

**Arthur J. Leonard** is a principal at Salter McGowan Sylvia & Leonard in Providence, R.I.

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##### 1997

**Mark J. Guay** owns the Law Firm of Mark Guay in Newburyport, Mass., and provides strategic legal solutions to over 40 domestic and international companies in a variety of industries.

##### 2004

**Diana A. Melnyk** joined American Expat Tax Services as a cross-border tax analyst.

**Jason Pollak** is assistant general counsel at Sears Holdings Corporation. His practice focuses on tax and commercial transactions.

##### 2008

**Christopher T. Bird** joined Pepper Hamilton LLP as a tax associate.

##### 2009

**Mishkin E. Santa** was named the Wolf Group's newest shareholder, directing the firm's international corporate tax and cryptocurrency practice units. He specializes in cross-border tax matters, micro-multinational inbound and outbound structures, controversy (including individual streamlined filings), and asset protection structures for US nonresidents with US real property.

**Caren Z. Schindel** has been selected as one of the Top Women of Law for 2018 by *Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly*.

##### 2010

**David Foate** passed the California Bar Legal Specialist Exam in Tax Law in October 2017. He is now eligible to submit his post-exam application to join the 300+ attorneys who are certified by the State Bar of California as specialists in tax law.

##### 2011

**Nikki M. Oliveira** joined Nutter McClenahan & Fish as an associate.

##### 2017

**Latonya Grotegeers** has joined Gillespi, Hetlage & Coughlin in St. Louis as an associate.



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